

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims as follows.

1. (original) A steel product with high HIC resistance for use as a line pipe, comprising in mass %:

C : 0.03% to 0.15%, Si : 0.05% to 1.0%, Mn : 0.5% to 1.8%, P : 0.015% or less, S : 0.004% or less, O (oxygen) : 0.01% or less, N : 0.007% or less, sol . Al : 0.01% to 0.1%, Ti : 0.024% or less, and Ca : 0.0003% to 0.02%, the balance consisting of Fe and impurities,  
the size of TiN inclusion in said steel product being at most 30  $\mu\text{m}$ .

2. (original) The steel product according to claim 1, further comprising at least one of Cu: 0.1% to 0.4%, and Ni: 0.1% to 0.3%.

3. (currently amended) The steel product according to claim 1 [[or 2]], further comprising:

at least one of Cr: 0.01% to 1.0%, Mo: 0.01% to 1.0%, V : 0.01% to 0.3%,  
B : 0.0001% to 0.001%, and Nb : 0.003% to 0.1%.

4. (canceled)

5. (new) The steel product according to claim 2, further comprising:  
at least one of Cr: 0.01% to 1.0%, Mo: 0.01% to 1.0%, V: 0.01% to 0.3%, B: 0.0001% to 0.001%, and Nb: 0.003% to 0.1%.

6. (new) A line pipe with high HIC resistance comprising in mass %:  
C: 0.03% to 0.15%, Si: 0.05% to 1.0%, Mn: 0.5% to 1.8%, P: 0.015% or less, S: 0.004% or less, O (oxygen): 0.01% or less, N: 0.007% or less, sol. Al: 0.01% to 0.1%, Ti: 0.024% or less, and Ca: 0.0003% to 0.02%, the balance consisting of Fe and impurities,  
the size of TiN inclusion in said line pipe being at most 30  $\mu\text{m}$ .

7. (new) The line pipe according to claim 6, further comprising at least one of Cu: 0.1% to 0.4%, and Ni: 0.1% to 0.3%.

8. (new) The line pipe according to claim 6, further comprising:  
at least one of Cr: 0.01% to 1.0%, Mo: 0.01% to 1.0%, V: 0.01% to 0.3%, B: 0.0001% to 0.001%, and Nb: 0.003% to 0.1%.

9. (new) The line pipe according to claim 7, further comprising:  
at least one of Cr: 0.01% to 1.0%, Mo: 0.01% to 1.0%, V: 0.01% to 0.3%, B: 0.0001% to 0.001%, and Nb: 0.003% to 0.1%.